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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

An office action issued on March 16, 2000 in the above-identified application, rejecting claims 1-20.

The above-identified application was filed on April 6, 1999 with claims 1-20.

A Preliminary Amendment was filed on December 10, 1999, canceling claims 1-20 and adding new claims 21 to 39. The Preliminary Amendment was stamped received on December 13, 1999. (A copy of the stamped return postcard and the Preliminary Amendment is attached).

The office action issued on March 16, 2000 indicated that only claims 1-20 were pending. The undersigned informed Examiner Eduoard by telephone on April 10, 2000 that the office action appeared to have issued in error because the Preliminary

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Amendment was not entered or examined. Examiner Edouard indicated that he would withdraw the office action upon locating the Preliminary Amendment.

No further communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has since been received in connection with the application. Accordingly, withdrawal of the March 16, 2000 office action, entry of the Preliminary Amendment, and issuance of a new office action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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PATENT OFFICE DATE STAMP WILL ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF:

- Amendment Transmittal Form (in triplicate)
- 2. Preliminary Amendment
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